

Table 4.
Number in Poverty and Poverty Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin Using 2- and 3-Year Averages: 2001 to 2003

(Numbers in thousands. People as of March of the following year)

Race and Hispanic Origin	3-year average 2001-2003 ¹		2-year average				Change in poverty (2002-2003 average less 2001-2002 average) ³	
			2001-2002 ²		2002-2003			
	Estimate	90-percent confidence interval ⁴ (±)	Estimate	90-percent confidence interval ⁴ (±)	Estimate	90-percent confidence interval ⁴ (±)	Estimate	90-percent confidence interval ⁴ (±)
PERCENTAGE								
All races	12.1	0.2	11.9	0.2	12.3	0.2	*0.4	0.2
White alone or in combination.....	10.2	0.2	10.1	0.2	10.4	0.2	*0.3	0.2
White alone ⁵	10.2	0.2	10.0	0.2	10.3	0.2	*0.3	0.2
White alone, not Hispanic	8.0	0.2	7.9	0.2	8.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Black alone or in combination.....	23.6	0.6	23.3	0.7	24.1	0.7	*0.8	0.6
Black alone ⁶	23.7	0.6	23.4	0.7	24.3	0.7	*0.9	0.6
American Indian and Alaska Native alone or in combination	20.0	1.7	20.8	2.1	19.1	1.8	-1.6	1.7
American Indian and Alaska Native alone ⁷	23.2	2.3	23.0	2.6	23.9	2.9	1.0	2.2
Asian alone or in combination.....	10.7	0.8	10.1	0.9	10.9	0.9	*0.8	0.7
Asian alone ⁸	10.7	0.8	10.1	0.9	10.9	0.9	*0.8	0.8
Asian, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, alone or in combination	10.8	0.7	10.2	0.9	11.1	0.9	*0.9	0.7
Asian and/or Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander ⁹	10.8	0.8	10.3	0.9	11.1	0.9	*0.9	0.8
Hispanic origin (of any race)	21.9	0.6	21.6	0.7	22.1	0.7	0.5	0.6
NUMBER								
All races	34,446	481	33,738	556	35,216	567	*1,477	466
White alone or in combination.....	23,921	392	23,406	456	24,512	466	*1,106	396
White alone ⁵	23,492	389	23,103	453	23,869	460	*767	393
White alone, not Hispanic	15,580	321	15,419	375	15,735	379	316	325
Black alone or in combination.....	8,709	239	8,510	271	8,996	288	*486	227
Black alone ⁶	8,506	236	8,369	269	8,691	284	*323	225
American Indian and Alaska Native alone or in combination	883	82	854	93	946	98	*91	77
American Indian and Alaska Native alone ⁷	612	68	652	82	540	74	*-112	67
Asian alone or in combination.....	1,348	100	1,259	113	1,385	118	*126	99
Asian alone ⁸	1,279	97	1,218	111	1,281	114	63	97
Asian, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, alone or in combination	1,436	103	1,326	116	1,517	124	*191	101
Asian and/or Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander ⁹	1,350	100	1,273	114	1,388	118	*115	98
Hispanic origin (of any race)	8,534	245	8,276	278	8,803	285	*527	219

*Statistically different from zero at the 90-percent confidence level.

¹The 2003 and 2004 CPS offered respondents the option of choosing more than one race. The 2002 CPS recorded only one race for each respondent. The 3-year averages are based on combining the 2003 and 2004 CPS race categories shown in the stub with the relevant single race categories of White, Black, American Indian and Alaska Native, or Asian and Pacific Islander recorded in the 2002 CPS.

²The 2-year average for 2001-2002 is based on combining the 2003 CPS race categories shown in the stub with the relevant single race categories of White, Black, American Indian and Alaska Native, or Asian and Pacific Islander recorded in the 2002 CPS.

³Details may not sum to totals because of rounding.

⁴A 90-percent confidence interval is a measure of an estimate's variability. The larger the confidence interval in relation to the size of the estimate, the less reliable the estimate. For more information see "Standard errors and their use at" <www.census.gov/hhes/www/p60-226sa.pdf>.

⁵White alone refers to people who reported White and did not report any other race category. The use of this single-race population does not imply that it is the preferred method of presenting or analyzing data. The Census Bureau uses a variety of approaches. Information on people who reported more than one race, such as White and American Indian and Alaska Native or Asian and Black or African American, is available from Census 2000 through American FactFinder. About 2.6 percent of people reported more than one race in Census 2000.

⁶Black alone refers to people who reported Black and did not report any other race category.

⁷American Indian and Alaska Native alone refers to people who reported American Indian and Alaska Native and did not report any other race category.

⁸Asian alone refers to people who reported Asian and did not report any other race category.

⁹Asian and/or Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander refers to people who reported either or both of these categories, but did not report any other category.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2002 to 2004 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.